# P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the 75th Congress of the United States in Joint Resolution, No. 82, set aside April as Cancer Control Month,

WHEREAS, education of the public is an essential weapon of curbing this disease,

WHEREAS, an organization known as the Women's Field Army of the American Society for the Control of Cancer led by volunteer women and directed by leading physicians is conducting a carefully planned educational and enlistment campaign in this state under the slogan "Early Cancer Is Curable. Fight It With Knowledge,"

WHEREAS, medical authorities agree that between one-third and one-half of the three hundred and forty nine persons who died of cancer in this state last year could and should have been saved by early diagnosis and prompt, proper treatment,

WHEREAS, this peace-time war may save thousands of lives at a time when another war abroad is destroying thousands,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harlan J. Bushfield, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do set aside the period from April 1 to April 30, 1940, as CANCER CONTROL MONTH in the State of South Dakota and I call upon all citizens, all agencies concerned with public health and all organs of opinion, including the newspapers, the radio, the magazines, and the motion picture industry, to support the work of the Eastern South Dakota Division of the Women's Field Army.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of South Dakota to become affixed this 21st day of March, 1940.

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State

(GREAT SEAL)

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